

It is an honor for me to introduce this legislation and help Native American veterans achieve home ownership. I urge my colleagues to support this important legislation.

**FOOD FINDERS 15TH
ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

HON. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 28, 2004

Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise proudly today to congratulate Food Finders, a Long Beach community nonprofit that is dedicated to providing food for the impoverished and hungry people in our region.

Food Finders' specific mission is to offer an enhanced quality of life to those in need through a food rescue program. Volunteers collect and distribute food, along with other essential items, to missions, hospices, homeless shelters, treatment centers, senior centers and children's homes in both Los Angeles and Orange County, at no cost to the recipients. Food Finders provides approximately 42,000 meals a day through its services.

Food Finders is recognized in the City of Long Beach and throughout the region as a leading community-based organization. They are the link between donors, service agencies, and the people in need. Food Finders has inspired hundreds of merchants to donate food, which they then deliver free of charge to service agencies. This makes it possible for the agencies to run more effectively and therefore feed more people.

Food Finders is also a referral source for individuals, directing them to where they can receive help. Ninety-nine percent of food never comes through Food Finders' door. Volunteers pick up and deliver about 20,000 pounds of food to recipient agencies each day. The majority of Food Finders' efforts are spent on facilitating connections between donors and recipients. They operate 200 established delivery routes that are managed by 325 volunteers.

Food Finders was started in April of 1989 by Arlene Mercer, and was at one time operated out of her home. Food Finders has since grown from delivering 251,000 pounds of food in 1990 to delivering approximately 7,000,000 pounds of food in 2003. Throughout its existence, Food Finders has delivered over 30 million pounds of wholesome food. This is equal to approximately 35,000 meals per day, or over 11,000 people who receive three meals a day because of the dedication of Food Finders in improving their quality of life.

I look forward to working with Food Finders in the future for the betterment of our community.

**TRIBUTE TO ARNOLD COHEN AND
MARTY RESNICK**

HON. BENJAMIN L. CARDIN

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 28, 2004

Mr. CARDIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay special tribute to two leaders in the Baltimore Jewish Community. Arnold Cohen and

Marty Resnick have been life-long friends who together and separately have worked to make our community and our world a better place.

Childhood friends since first grade, Arnold and Marty have a remarkable friendship that has lasted more than sixty years. As successful businessmen, they turned their attention to the benefit of others in Baltimore and Israel. They became leaders in the Mercantile Club, Israel Bond and The Cohen/Resnick Institute of the Diaspora Yeshiva in Jerusalem. Separately, Arnold devoted his efforts to Ner Tamid and Beth Tfiloh congregations, and Marty became active with Morgan State University.

On October 20, both will be honored by the Friends of Lubavitch as its 2004 Lamplighter Award recipients. In recent years, Arnold and Marty have turned their attention to the Lubavitch movement, helping Jews of all backgrounds learn more about their heritage. Both Arnold and Marty understand the importance of connections and of keeping Judaism alive for future generations.

I hope my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives will join me in thanking Arnold Cohen and Marty Resnick for their commitment and dedication to helping others. They understand that the world can be a better place through learning, knowledge and understanding.

**TRIBUTE TO DR. LEONARD H.
SHAMBERGER**

HON. DONALD M. PAYNE

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 28, 2004

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor a distinguished member of my hometown of Newark, New Jersey, Dr. Leonard H. Shamberger, who will be retiring from the Pastorate of Emanuel Missionary Baptist Church on October 2, 2004.

Born in North Carolina in 1923, he honorably served this country as a Technical Sergeant in the U.S. Army, then pursued his education by attending the A&T State University in Greensboro, North Carolina, and later received his BA from the New York School of the Bible, an MA in Theology from the Bowles Bible Institute of Technicality, and a Doctorate of Divinity from Rankin's Theological Clinic.

Dr. Shamberger has established radio and prison ministries, the Mission to Haiti, the Food Pantry, Summer Vacation Bible School for children in our city, and many other ministries within the church and the surrounding community.

He has received many honors, including an Award for Religion for the Eugene and Barbara Byers Foundation, a Community Excellence Award, the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Church Award, multiple Global Ministries Awards, the Municipal Council Resolution Award for 25 Years of Service from the Mayor's Office, and the First Family Award for 2003.

He is a Board Member of the Nellie Grier Senior Day Care Center, a Finance Committee member of the City Wide Revival Committee, and an Honorary Member of the Original Free Will Baptist Annual Conference of America. He is also a member of the General Baptist and the National Baptist Convention, USA, the Hampton University Ministers Con-

ference, the Ordination Council of the New Hope Missionary Baptist Association, the North Jersey Committee of Black Churchmen, the Ministers Advisory Committee at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center, the Senior Citizen Partnership with Nelly Grier Adult Day Care, and the Baptist Ministers' Conference of Newark and Vicinity.

I am grateful for Dr. Shamberger's leadership in the community, and I value his commitment to meeting the needs of his brothers and sisters in Newark, the United States, and around the world.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in extending my thanks to Dr. Shamberger for his many years of pastoral ministry, and I invite my colleagues to join me in wishing him a restful and rewarding retirement, surrounded by the love of family, friends, and fellow believers.

HONORING ROBERT HARMAN

HON. SHELLEY MOORE CAPITO

OF WEST VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 27, 2004

Mr. CAPITO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a great West Virginian, constituent and friend, Robert Harman. For the past forty years, Bob has served as the Chief Executive Officer and Administrator of Grant Memorial Hospital. His service makes him the longest-tenured hospital chief executive in our nation's history. Bob has worked tirelessly to ensure the citizens of Grant County, West Virginia have access to high quality health services. His shrewd fiscal management of the hospital has resulted in very few years where the hospital operated at a deficit; which is quite an accomplishment for an industry that has faced financial problems as a whole. He has often been on the leading edge of implementing new technologies to improve services and make the hospital more cost effective.

In addition to his service at Grant Memorial, Bob has been a leading advocate and expert on rural health issues. Over the past thirty years, Bob has served on numerous state and national committees, boards and task forces pertaining to the delivery of health care in rural areas. He has shared his experiences and advised members of the West Virginia Congressional delegation.

I am proud to call Bob a friend and fellow West Virginian and am honored to be able to share in this great accomplishment.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO TOM CVAR

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 28, 2004

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pride that I rise today to pay tribute to a truly dedicated public servant from Pueblo, Colorado. Tom Cvar has served as the Public Works Director for the city of Pueblo for over 20 years, and I would like to join my colleagues here today in recognizing his hard work and commitment before this body of Congress and this Nation.

In 1969, Tom graduated from the University of Colorado, and after working in the private